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SWIMMING POOL AND SPA MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Plans must be submitted to and approved by this office prior to adding or altering a spa, pool or related equipment.
- 2. Supervision (pool maintenance) must be provided <u>every day that the pool is open to bathers</u>, whether summer or winter.
- 3. The recirculation and purification systems must be in operation <u>at all times the pool is open</u> and as often beyond that as necessary to keep pool clean and clear.
- 4. Lifeguard services must be provided if a direct fee is charged to the user.
- 5. Safety rescue hook, life ring and first aid kit must be provided.
- 6. Daily records must be kept of chlorine residual, pH, added chemicals & filter backwash. Forms available at this office. A DPD test kit must be used.
- 7. pH must be between 7.2 and 8.0 by law. 7.4 7.6 is best.
- 8. Free chlorine <u>must not fall below 1.0 or 1.5 if cyanuric acid or stabilizer is used</u>.
- 9. Required safety signs must be posted: (*in 4 inch letters)
 - a) Artificial Respiration diagrammatic
 - b) Emergency Telephone Number (911)
 - c) No Lifeguard on Duty*
 - d) Spa Pool Warning Sign
 - e) Supervision of Children
 - f) No Diving (for pools under 6 feet deep)*
 - g) Pool Occupant Capacity (1 bather per 20 square feet)* Spa Occupant Capacity (1 bather per 10 square feet)*
 - h) No swimming after dark (if pool and deck lighting not provided).
 - i) Danger: Compressed Chlorine Gas & evacuation signs (if gas chlorine used)*
- 10. All parts of pool including skimmers, flow meter, lights, decks, handrails, pressure gauges, equipment and equipment room must be clean and in good repair.

- 11. Spa temperature must not exceed 104 F. A thermometer must be provided.
- 12. Pool enclosure must be in good repair, at least 4 feet high, with gaps not exceeding 4 inches. Gates must be self-closing and self-latching, and kept closed at all times.
- 13. Wastewater from backwash must discharge to sewer (if permitted) or approved containment system, and shall in no event discharge to the ground or to a water system.
- 14. All lines and valves in equipment room must be labeled.
- 15. All poolside hose bibs and pool fill line must be equipped with anti-back flow devices.
- 16. All toilet facilities must be provided with soap and paper towels both in dispenser form.

THIS OFFICE WILL IMMEDIATELY CLOSE THE POOL OR SPA IF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS IS FOUND DURING INSPECTION:

- 1. Water too cloudy to **clearly** see bottom drain from deck.
- 2. Chlorine residual of less than 0.2 PPM.
- 3. Lack of approved, functional, automatic chlorinator.
- 4. Lack of adequate supervision (pool maintenance).
- 5. Extremely low or absent water circulation.
- 6. Presence of immediate safety hazards, including but not limited to: uncovered bottom drain, unsafe ladders or handholds, inadequate rescue equipment, unsafe wiring, chlorine leak, trip hazards.

If these or other serious conditions should occur at your pool, post the pool **CLOSED** until all necessary corrections have been made. Please call the Division of Environmental Health for assistance.